

ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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COLLECTORS ITEMS

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WOW

Two Trail Markers used by the dog mushers during the Rendezvous races which have been autographed by all the racers including George Attla and Dr. Lombard, will be auctioned at the next meeting of the AARC. The proceeds will be split between the Dog Racers Assn. and ourselves.

A T T E N T I O N

ALL NOVICES

Door Prize just for you at the March 3rd meeting. The prize is a \$10.00, high accuracy, crystal for 40 meters. The exact frequency is 7.1625 mc. This prize is courtesy of Civil Air Patrol.

HAMS IN THE LIBRARY

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By: Beth Clark, KL7HEJ
333-9987

The Loussac Library at 5th and "F" St. will soon have both the Foreign and Domestic Call Books. The Call Books are no longer published quarterly; but they are issued in December with a "New Information Service" issued quarterly and consists of new licenses, silent keys, call letter and/or address changes. The Library is not getting this "New Information Service" but has subscribed to the regular Call Book for a four year period starting with the December 1971-72 issue (last December's issue) and they should be

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We expected to interview the Club President this month, but his being out of town prevented that.

* INTERVIEWED *

KL7APV-----Palmer Forsmoe is presently serving as Director in the AARC. Palmer has served as Director for two consecutive terms. The first term he was also KL7AA custodian. As an active and steady club member for several years he has held the positions of Treasurer, 1967 (because of this position he also served as Finance Chairman for the 1967 Alaska State Convention) and Acting President, 1969 in addition to his present Directorship.

Palmer received his first call, W0VWJ in 1947. Says Mr. Butterworth (silent key) of Boston FCC saw he was so nervous that he told Palmer to go smoke a cigarette and come back in 15 minutes; which he did and promptly passed the code test. KL7APV became his call in 1952.

He has served as the Anchorage area Civil Defense net control (2 meters) during the early 60's (when that net was active) and substitutes on various other nets from time to time.

APV is presently somewhat limited in his station; tower blew down during a wind storm in January of 1971, so if you would like to meet Palmer, attend club meeting he's usually there.

Mike Johnnie, KL7HFA wants to be sure everyone knows about the WEEKEND TRAF-FIC STOPLIGHT NET on 14292 kc, Sat & Sun. He started the net because so many Hams need patches and traffic passed which can't get done during the week.

HAMS IN THE LIBRARY ----- Continued

on our shelves before too long. If these get enough usage I believe we can get the Call Books in some of the other branches, so when they do come in please get in there and give these books some usage.

I have found that very few people really know how to use the Library services - for instance, we have telephone directories for almost any and every section of the U.S. These really come in handy for people who know how to use them; for Xmas card lists, etc. Also, if you cannot get in to the Library, you can call on the phone give the complete name and location to get the address and/or telephone number. Unless you have either the address or the phone number you will have to have the complete name as it would be listed in the directory. I find that most people don't know this phone service is available, and very frequently it is inconvenient to get in to the Library for an address or phone number. THIS SAME SERVICE WILL APPLY TO THE CALL BOOKS. If you phone with a Call Sign you will be able to get the name and address.

I received from W6PVF/KL7, KL7CDG and KL7HFM a list of books in all phases of radio (Novice, General, Advanced, Extra, FM, Telescan, Handbooks, Antennas, including FM, etc.) that they felt would be beneficial to have at the Library. I presented these lists and the Library was delighted - all books on the lists are being ordered for Loussac. The Library does get QST and is ordering the "73" magazine. If the "73" gets enough usage they will order the yearly binders that bind a year's issues in one book. If any or all of these books and magazines get enough usage I'm sure we can get them in the other branch libraries, and more than one issue in Loussac. If any of you know of a book you would like to see the Library get please let me know and I will see what I can do about it.

AFFIRMATION

As members of the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club:

1. We like our club unconditionally; therefore, we never de-value it through destructive criticism.
2. We show that our club is 100% alive by participating in all club activities with great enthusiasm.
3. We have unconditional warm regard for ALL Hams at ALL times.
4. We are certain of our clubs identity and its uniqueness.

ACTIVITIES

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By: Wilse Morgan, W6PVF
344-1257

I am hearing several new Call signs being transmitted through the repeater now-a-days. I think we can say that our dog race activity was the cause of this.

---on to the next project ---

We are going to have an electronic Flea Market and Hamfest on the 25th of March. There will be commercial displays, amateur radio displays and even a CB display; also the XYL's will have a bake sale. This will require alot of work on everyone's part. We will start getting it organized at the next club meeting. Be sure to be there and bring a friend. We have mailed out a questionnaire to all of you, please return them by mail or bring it to the meeting.

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The libraries are for the public and that means you, so get on the ball and use it.

DOG RACE COMMUNICATIONS

By: Liz Tvrdy
344-6296

In February 1962, Jimmie Tvrdy, Ken Koestler and Sarge Robinson hit upon the idea of constructing a board to show spectators at the Fur Rendezvous the progress of the dogs and racers as they raced from and to Fourth Avenue over a 25 mile track. About ten amateur radio operators were stationed along the trail and AM was used to relay the dog team positions. The board consisted of two sheets of plywood, measuring 8'x8' on which the trail had been drawn.

This year, February 1972, ten years later, the club had two men at the board (*two of the above three, Jimmie Tvrdy and Ken Koestler) and a grand total of twenty three checkpoints. Snow machines were used on the back trail. FM, Handy Talkies and a repeater were used to transmit the position of the racers as they passed the checkpoints. The board has grown in size to 8'x16' and has been raised from the ground and placed on a flatbed trailer; and had been given a new coat of paint with the addition of some pictures in keeping with the dog racing.

Communications were much improved by the use of the FM repeater with many more checkpoints and hard-working volunteers. This year we even furnished the downtown P.A. system for the dog sled races - donated through the courtesy of Yukon Radio Supply.

Next year we propose to sell advertising to be placed on the front and back sides of our "new" 18'x16' board; thus revitalizing our now depleted treasury.

*editor's note.

(In 1962 Jimmie Tvrdy was President; Ken Koestler was Activities Manager & Sarge Robinson was chairman of this activity. In 1972 Ken Koestler is

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

By: Liz Tvrdy

Winter comes and with it snow,
The dog teams are ready to go.
The mushers meet to judge their teams.
Into their eyes comes a special gleam.

The Hams start talking about the trail
To help keep track they'll never fail.
Out comes the board to be renovated,
Upon its face the new trail must be painted.

Fur Rendezvous is close at hand,
Excitement spreads through Alaska Land.
Dr. Lombard and his team will arrive,
All Anchorage will come alive.

The dogs are fastened to their sled
And to the starting line are led.
The count-down starts, the race is on.
Crowds are watching the marathon.

The Hams along the trails are in place.
To the board downtown they'll report
the race.

As each team passes them by,
Over the net their news will fly.

Friday, Saturday have flown past,
On Sunday the teams are really fast.
The times are called, the winner crowned.

The end of Fur Rendezvous has come
'round.

NEXT MONTH

For sure! - Report on Ken Koestler's trip to Florida and the Bahamas - also the promised interview.

March Flea Market & Hamfest
A poem by Liz Tvrdy
Lady Ham interview

President; Jimmie Tvrdy, Vice Pres & Sarge Robinson has retired.)

FOR FM'rs

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By: Fred Wegmer, KL7HFM , 272-6650

The FM roll call is growing:

KL7APV	KL7GHX	KL7HFM
" AZH	" GLU	" HFW
" BDG	" GMP	" HIP
" CDG	" HAB	" HIU
" EKB	" HDQ	" HJN
" EKI	" HEJ	WB4TAP/KL7
" EQQ	" HEK	W6PVF/KL7
" FCN	" HEP	WA6NJC/KL7
" FLS	" HEQ	W7QGH/KL7
" FSE	" HFA	WA9HJZ/KL7
	" JFC	WA0HVZ/KL7

Is your call sign missing? Please accept sincere apologizies from the Happy Fat Man if I've missed you! So let me know if I've goofed.

We send one dozen 807's to FSF and GHX for their untiring efforts in building our CW gremlin. Now if we can just eliminate KL7USW.

Ye olde repeater held up remarkably well during the doggy races, so that's one milestone past.

At latest count we had \$67.00 in the kitty earmarked for new antennas. The kitty is hungry so anyone wanting to help feed him it's welcome.

I'm sure that one of the best illustrations of Ham good-neighborliness was the loaning of rigs and autos during the doggy races. Many thanx to all who participated.

We should all start thinking about "bunny hunts" using 2 meter FM; next question: is how? Answer: Should be simple, first or second limiter current readings give a pretty good relative indication of signal strength; and a 2 meter loop should be really simple. So all might start thinking about it.

Congrats to KL7EKI and his Xtal grinding results, his sigs looking good now

By: Wilse Morgan, W6PVF/KL7, 344-1257

The request for service to link-up the repeater here on Ft. Rich and the repeater at Pedro Dome (Fairbanks) was submitted by Civil Air Patrol to Alaska Communications Region. There were seven endorsements to the letter from the Air Force, Army and the State of Alaska. This link will be a real help for our amateur activities and should prove a real benefit for public service.

The Civil Air Patrol will be having its National Communications exercise on March 11th starting at 1600 Z and lasting for four hours. We will be using the repeater to pass traffic from Wing Headquarters on Elmendorf to my place up on the mountain behind Bunny River. The anchor man on Elmendorf will be KL7GMP, Pat McDaniel.

The traffic comes from Hamilton AFB, near San Francisco, via 11.120 mc SSB to Elmendorf. It will then be sent to my QTH both by the repeater KL7USA and by VHF link 148.15 mc. It is then sent to the CAP stations throughout Alaska on 4585.0 kc SSB.

Probably one of the best known repeaters in the "Lower 48" is located at Tulsa Oklahoma.

Got an answer to the editors question about the "Bunny Hunt" trophy. It was retired in 1967 and the Ham who won it was KL7BJW, Gale Allred.

through the repeater.

Who wants to contribute schematics, etc. for 2 meter fone patch?

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AWARDS

Received in the mailbag information from the New York chapter of the National Awards Hunters Club - They sound quite active. Awards from them include:

Worked All Boroughs Award
New York County Award
Worked All Members Award
Net sign-in Certificate with seals for 50, 100 & 150.

For more information, write:

Joseph Tricarico, WA2MWO
338 Madison Avenue
West Hempstead, New York 11552

OR

Contact: Wilse Morgan
Activities Manager
AARC - 344-1257

The Anchorage Amateur Radio Club meets each first and third friday of each month at the Z.J. Loussac Library basement at 8:00 p.m.

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WALK FOR HOPE

COMMUNICATIONS

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The 3rd Annual Walk for Hope will be held May 6, 1972. Former Gov. Keith Miller proclaimed the first Saturday in the month of May as The Day of Hope.

Hope Cottage, Inc. has requested radio communications on that day at their checkpoints.

As a club we are requesting volunteers for this project.

*** We did it for the racers
let's do it for the walkers!***

NETS

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Cracker Barrel Net - 3977 kc
0700 GMT, Mon, Wed & Fri.
2'ers Ragchewers Net - 145.3 mc
0430 GMT, Tuesdays
Weekend Traffic Stoplight Net -
14292 kc - 0630 GMT, Sat & Sun
Alaska Pacific Net - 14292 kc -
1800 GMT, Monday thru Friday.
Sourdough Net - 3915 kc -
0400 GMT, Monday thru Friday.

ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB-----OFFICERS

President -----	Kenneth Koestler -----	KL7BZO
Vice-President ----	Jimmie Tvrdy -----	KL7CDG
Secretary -----	Liz Tvrdy -----	KL7CDG/xyl
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	(KL7AA Custodian)	

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By: Peggy Wolfington
344-3187

Jack Mercer has a brand new Swan 500 CX to go with his brand new call, KL7HFE. The swan along with his Mars Oscillator and 117XC power supply is burning up the 10, 15 and 20 meter bands.

(We can order 2 meter CRYSTALS thru the club at a much cheaper rate than can be received individually.)
(See Jim Tvrdy, KL7CDG at club meeting or call him at 344-6296.)

KL7GIS borrowed KL7HEI's Oct., 1970 QST - wants to build a freq splitter.

(WANTED)
(7B5, 7C7, 7F7-2 & 6BC5-2)
(Mags: "73")
(Oct '60, Jan '61 & Jul '71)
(SELL OR TRADE)
(Mags: "Ham Radio" - all '68)
(Jan-Sept '69 & Jun-Dec '70)
(Neil Zimmerman, KL7FSF)
(1904 W. 46th Ave., 277-0273)

Dave Packey successfully passed his novice code test and Bryan (KL7HIP) is coaching him for the written. (Aha! We've been watching this likely new member.)

KL7CDG was overheard as he drove down the road "This is KL7CDG mobile." - "This is KL7CDG immobile" (seems he ran out of gas.

(If any of you aren't sure which way to go on FM equipment, etc. contact Fred Wegmer, KL7HFM, his phone is 272-6650.)

Remember Your chance to name the paper is at next club meeting. Will poll the votes there.

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RECIPE =====

DIFFERENT CUCUMER SALAD GEL

1 box lime gelatin - prepare as directed on box.
1 cucumber - grate into gelatin.

Variation: Substitute cottage cheese for the cuke.

Dressing

Equal parts mayonnaise and sour cream add honey to taste. or spice it up with celery salt.

* Seems we almost overwhelmed the help at Alaskaland on our February 18th meeting. We reserved space for 30 of which 62 showed up. Got some interesting projects started and met some Hams we haven't seen for quite a length of time. Let's keep up the good work.

* Jack & Marge Reich were in town and attended a blast at the Gold Rush in their honor. Everyone had a good time.

* we haven't gotten any news from those ladies yet, but did hear Gracie Dillon, KL7DLA was headed outside for inspection. We sure hope everything turns out alright.

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TVI COMMITTEE REPORT

By: Cliff Moller, KL7HEP
277-9306

Having been appointed Chairman of the TVI Committee, without my knowledge, by a group of friends???, I have appointed Fred Wegmer, KL7HFM and Frank Douthit, WB4TAP/KL7, as committee members.

The reason for appointing Fred Wegmer, KL7HFM, is that I believe he was instrumental in my appointment. Frank Douthit, WB4TAP/KL7, was appointed for two reasons: (1) He agreed with HFM & (2) He has TVI.

For our friends and others who may read this paper and be interested, TVI is television interference caused by an amateur radio station. The purpose of the TVI Committee is to investigate these complaints and attempt to solve the problem, both to the satisfaction of the owner of the television set and the amateur radio station concerned.

We of the committee hope each and every one of you will cooperate and help us when problems arise. Not only does TVI reflect on the amateur station involved, but on all of us as members of the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club.

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Advertising: DECIDED

The Board of Directors on the February 26, 1972 meeting that our advertising rates should go as follows:

CLUB MEMBERS: 3 one column lines free.
COMMERCIAL: \$5.00 per month (2"x3")
Six months \$4.00 per month (2"x3")
Twelve Mon \$3.00 per month (2"x3")

The absolute and only reason to sell advertising is to help alleviate some of the costs of printing and supplies. Therefore, if a club member wishes more space than his free ad, he will pay the commercial rate.

CIVIL DEFENSE

By: Bryan Sparrowhawk, KL7HIP
333-4593

Do you need an excuse for the XYL to get that 2 meter FM rig that you've always wanted, or do you feel guilty about not using the FM rig that you blew a couple of hundred bucks on, like you expected you would? Well, Cheer Up! Now, 2 meter Civil Defense is being organized, and we need your help and interest. If you are interested, just give me or Gene McLaren, KL7DZH, 272-1964, a call and tell us that you are interested. We need to get organized completely before we can acquire our RACES licenses. If you're worried about having to buy a different Xtal, try not to be, because we will (more-than-likely) get the city to buy them for us.

Remember, if a disaster were to occur, only the amateurs with RACES licenses may be on the air, and operate in an orderly fashion only, meaning a net of some type. A local net for Anchorage doesn't exist, so something needs to be done before a disasterous event occurs. PSE HELP!

THANKS TO ALL

THE PEOPLE WHO

HELPED WITH

ARTICLES FOR

THIS PAPER.

 From the Northern Lights Carrier, which our club published in its younger day comes the LETTERS TO LUIGI series. We think you will enjoy them as much as we did then.

Dear Luigi,

I'ma writa you disa letter so to aska you a beega favor. I'ma need a leettle monee to helpa nica neighbor. Now, I'ma know you gonna blow you stack justa lissen for a minute, and I'ma tella you how dis come around.

You see da housea next to me wasa not full anda da other day theesa fella boughting and moving in. There wasa Heem, Heesa Mama-Mia, two bambini, anda wana pussy cat. I'ma watch heem trough my fronta room wind. Dey spenda two day pushing, hauling, and tugging tings inta da house. Den a couple day leter I'ma see disa fella put a beega flag polea ina heesa back yard. Disa make me feel plenty good to see I'ma nexta to patriotic neighbor. I can no waita till heesa put flag on top. Den nexta day I'ma see heem climb pole, and am tinkin dat today isa day of flaga go up, but den heesa do someting funny, insteada flag ona pole, heesa put whole messa water pipe. Deesa make me wonder, den, becace dis isa banana belt of Alaska. I'ma tink dat he maka beeg umbrella anda heesa gon to puta canvas on top. Couple day she go by and no change to umbrella. Den alla sudden da pipe start to turn likea beeg windmill. I'ma tink thata theese ting shees a fall down anda I go tell disa fella. Wen I walk into heesa room I'ma see all kindsa red lights, green lights, anda hear funny noises. I aska fella what heesa got and he tella me "I have a full Gallon." Den I'ma see what heesa doing, heesa got all data water pipe on da flag pole catching rain and dewa water. I'ma feel sorry for theesa fella what can't pay water bill. Dat water from da pipe she is running into deesa differenta lights and heesa making hees water. I go home geta some monee to give to him soa he cana geta hees water. Thena when I get home I fina TV set acten alla screwy, da pictures shesa going black, den white, den it looka like checkers board. And den she starts alla over agin, lika it dona know what it wanna do. So youa see Luigi, I'ma needa monee to get TV fixed anda also help nica neighbor geta heesa water turned on.

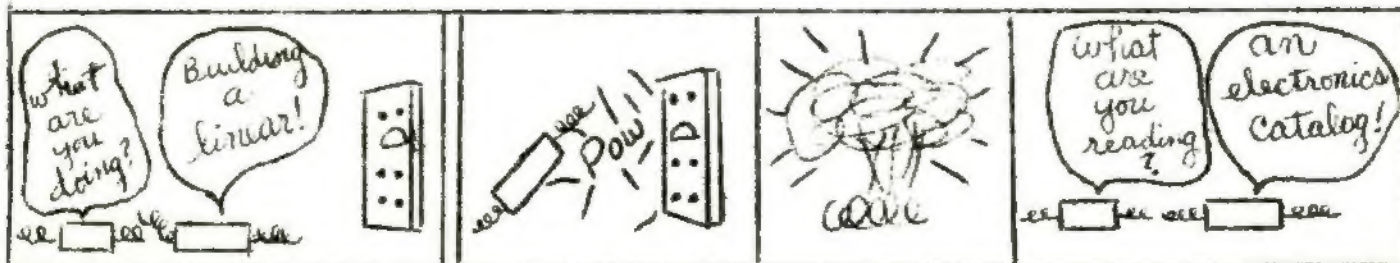
(Signei) H. Fraquenzi

 Heard there was a CAT in town who has an old used vacuum for sale. Seems it got a little wet.

 My OM received his copy of the Mars Newsletter, but it was so faded we couldn't read much of it. Anyone have an extra they could lend us.

QR (?)

I was pleased to receive a copy of the "Ham Rag" published by the Rockford Amateur Radio Association, Inc. Will glean ideas from it. All such publications are welcome at my QTH.



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